Dilapidated Goods Sheds and Freight Terminals

1971. SHRI R. P. GOENKA: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a comprehensive plan has been formulated to redevelop some 7000 dilapidated goods sheds and freight terminals into state-of-the-art logistics parks, in partnership with the private sector, for better utilization of the infrastructure/facilities already available there;

(b) if so, the details thereof and its present status;

(c) whether it is also a fact that 23 of such "damaged assets" have already been handed over to the Central Warehousing Corporation for such upgradation; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and machinery established to resolve major difficulties encountered by the Central Warehousing Corporation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) No, Sir. There is no such scheme at present.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Andhra Pradesh Express

1972. SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Andhra Pradesh Express which is operating daily between Hyderabad and New Delhi and back is always late;

(b) whether it is also a fact that vendors of all types and beggars Swarm the second class sleeper compartments creating nuisance to the passengers; and

(c) the steps the Railways would take to check these vendors and beggars from entering the reserved second class compartments of the train; and also to improve the cleanliness?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Some cases of entry of unauthorized vendors and beggars